HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION JUNE 22, 2015 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2015-0395 2819 E. 22ND STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1946 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, front-gabled frame Cumberland-style house with a central, partial-width, front-gabled overdoor hood on knee brackets; glazing in the double front doors; single 1:1 fenestration.

RESEARCH

The house appears to have been built around 1946 – there is no building permit for the construction of the house, but there is a sewer service permit from late 1945. The address does not appear in city directories until 1949, but if the house was built in 1946, there is a possibility that it would not have been included in the 1947 directory, as the information for that volume was collected in 1946.

At any rate, the first owners and occupants of the house were Harry and Lottie Yeoman. Harry Yeoman was a painter, who later worked for Atlas Painting and Decorating Company. It appears that Harry and Lottie divorced around 1952; she is listed as the renter of the house in the 1953 city directory; she was working as a clerk in Montgomery Ward's, a department store. Harry Yeoman died in 1970 in Oklahoma.

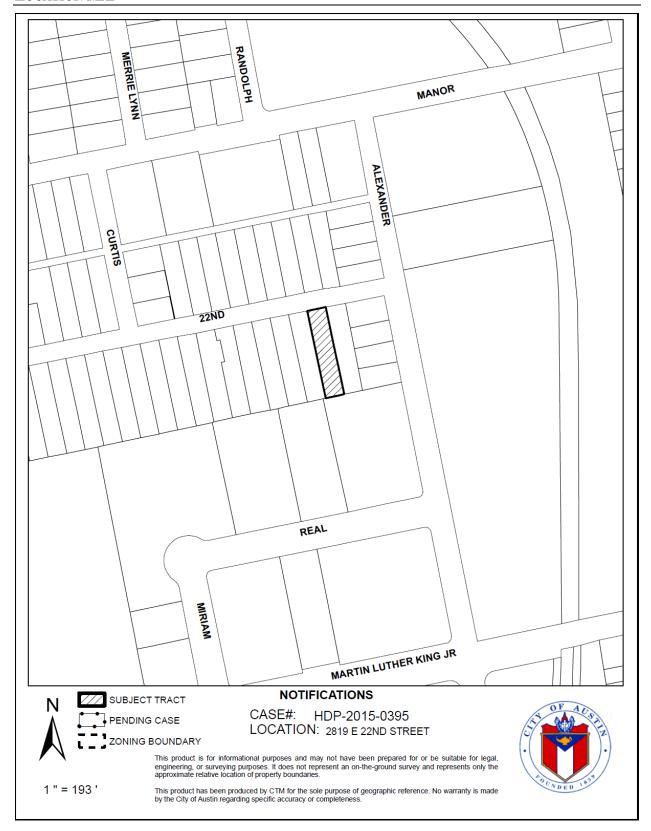
There was no return for this address in the 1955 city directory, but by 1959, Lottie L. Wheeler (formerly Lottie L. Yeoman?) is listed as the owner. She was an attendant at the Austin State School Farm Colony. She lived here until the mid-1960s. The house was then owned and occupied by Lula M. Crawford, a retired teacher, who lived here until her death in 1977. Corine R. Smith, an employee of Austin State Hospital, is listed as the renter of the house in the 1980s.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house does not appear in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use over demolition. While a late example of its style, the house does represent architecture characteristic of this neighborhood, and every effort should be made to evaluate alternatives to demolition. If demolition is the only feasible and prudent option, then staff recommends release of the permit upon completion of a City Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.



2819 E. 22nd Street ca. 1946



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 2819 E. 22nd Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center By City Historic Preservation Office June, 2015

1992 John D. Kanady, renter

Employed by Dry Welling Company (not listed in the alphabetical section of the

directory).

1985-86 Corine R. Smith, renter

Retired

1981 Corine R. Smith, renter

Employed by Austin State Hospital

1977 Vacant

1973 Lula M. Crawford, owner

Widow, Edward Crawford

Retired

1968 Lula M. Crawford, owner

Retired

Lottie L. Wheeler, owner 1962 Attendant, Austin State School Farm Colony 1959 Lottie L. Wheeler, owner Attendant, State Farm Colony 1955 No return NOTE: Lottie L. Wheeler is not listed in the directory. NOTE: Lottie Yeoman is not listed in the directory. NOTE: Harry Yeoman is listed as a painter living at 2608 Sweeney Lane. 1953 Lottie L. Yeoman, renter Clerk, Montgomery Ward's, department store, 409 Congress Avenue. 1952 Harry and Lottie L. Yeoman, owners Foreman, Atlas Painting and Decorating Company, 300 W. 19th Street. 1949 Harry and Lottie L. Yeoman, owners Painter 1947 The address is not listed in the directory. NOTE: Harry and Lottie L. Yeoman are listed at 1905 Chicon Street; he was a

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

NOTE: Harry Yeoman died in 1970 in Oklahoma, where he is buried.

Lula Crawford's 1977 death certificate indicates that she was born in 1891 in Cass County, Texas. She was a retired public school teacher, and was living in this house at the time of her death.

painter. Listed with them is Granville P. Yeoman, who had no occupation shown.

There is a listing for an Edd and Lula M. Crawford in the 1920 U.S. Census for Bowie County, Texas, but it is not absolutely clear that this listing is for the Lula Crawford who eventually lived in this house. However, both Bowie and Cass Counties are in northeast Texas, so it is possible. Lula M. Crawford was 26, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. Her husband, Edd, was 37, had been born in Texas, and was a farmer. They owned their farm. They had a son, George, who was 15 at the time. Both Lula and George Crawford are listed as mulattos.

SANITARY SEWER SERVICE PERMIT

No. 19493∤

Austin, Texas

Received ofA_G_W	Meeler Date 8/6/1945
Address 2819 E. 22nd.	
Amount	\$\$
Builder or Owner G. Wheeler	Plumber
	Subdivision Austin Hts. Plat No. 248
Date of Connection	No. Fittings Size Price 5

Sewer service permit to A.G. Wheeler for this address (1945)